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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

TO DIA WASHDC

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CINCPAC

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FOR ADMIRAL DE POIX FROM AMBASSADOR

CINCPAC FOR ADMIRAL GAYLER

CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, AS, US

SUBJ: DOD REPRESENTATION IN AUSTRALIA

REF: DIA 202251Z MAR 74

1. I HAVE BEEN INFORMED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
THAT DIA HAS NOMINATED AN OFFICER TO REPLACE DEFENSE ATTACHE  
COLONEL HARRY A. WITT, WHO IS SCHEDULED TO DEPART  
CANBERRA IN APRIL 1975.

2. AS YOU KNOW, A STUDY OF COMMAND ARRANGEMENTS AND  
DOD ACTIVITIES IN AUSTRALIA HAS BEEN IN PROCESS FOR  
SEVERAL MONTHS. A CINCPAC /IG SURVEY TEAM JUST SPENT A  
WEEK IN AUSTRALIA ANALYZING DOD REPRESENTATION AT THIS  
MISSION. THEIR FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR  
SUBMISSION TO CINCPAC AND TO YOU SEEM TO ME BOTH  
IMAGINATIVE AND RELASTIC. THEIR PROPOSALS WOULD  
RATIONALIZE AND CLARIFY THE ORGANIZATION OF DOD UNITS IN  
CANBERRA AND WOULD PERMIT IMPORTANT ECONOMIES.  
I BELIEVE YOU WILL FIND THEM OF REAL INTEREST.

3. HOWEVER, THESE PROPOSALS WOULD AFFECT THE  
NOMINATION OF COLONEL WITT'S SUCCESSOR. FOR THAT  
REASON I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HOLDING THIS  
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NOMINATION IN ABEYANCE UNTIL ADMIRAL GAYLER AND I HAVE

AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS REORGANIZATION IDEAS WITH  
YOU DURING YOUR VISITS IN HONOLULU AND CANBERRA LATER  
THIS MONTH.

4.I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.  
GREEN

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